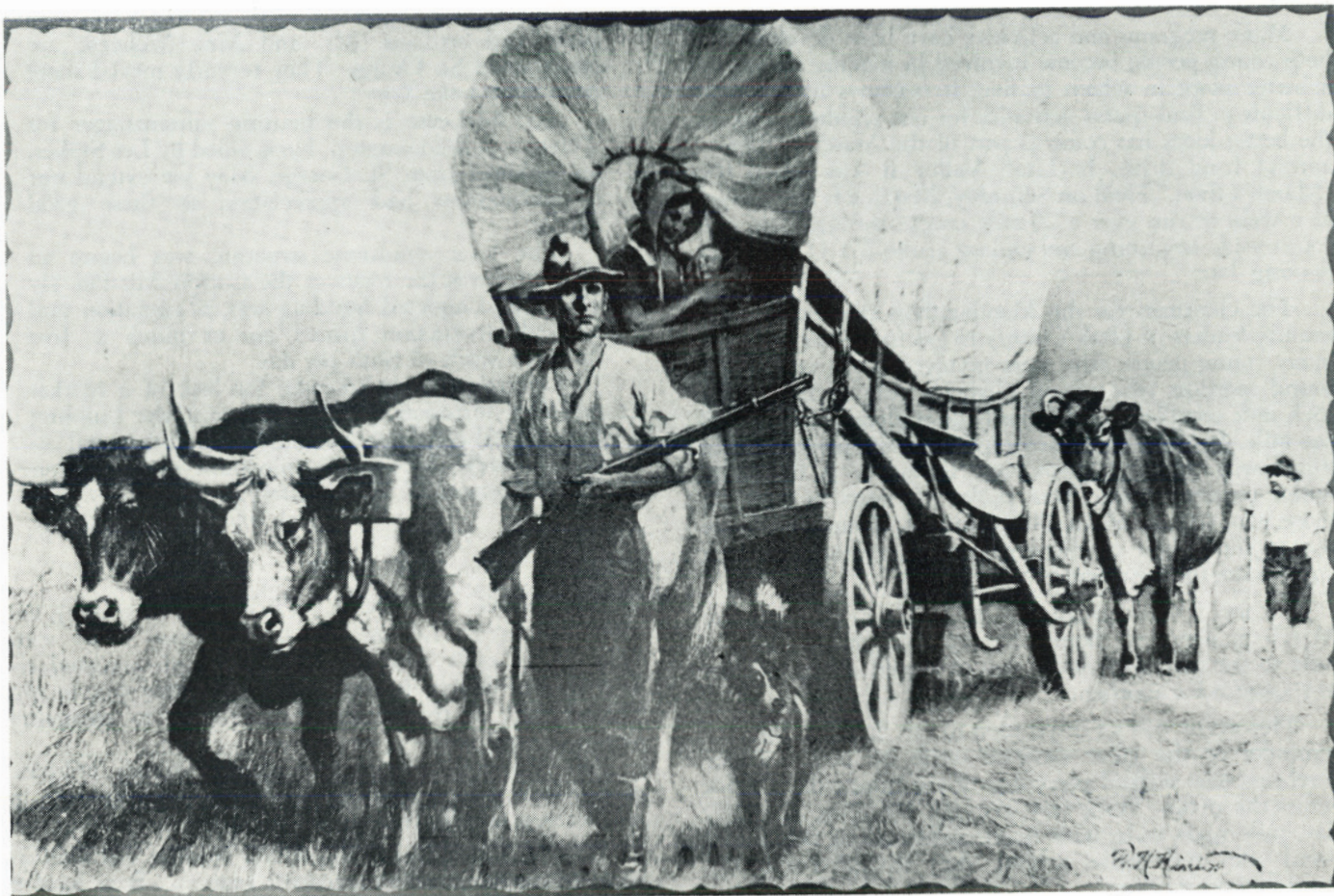


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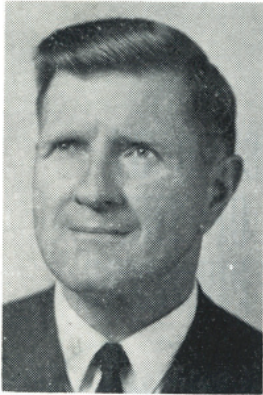


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'The Pioneers' W. T. Hinton's classic painting, six feet high and nine feet wide, is on display this season at Pioneer Village Auditorium



The President's Message

By Verl G. Dixon

Spirit of the Pioneers

IN PIONEER TIMES, children were required to do much of the world's work. The passing years have brought child labor laws designed to prevent abuse of young people. One of the ill effects of this legislation is the removal of young people from an awareness of how the material things of life are provided for our comfort and benefit.

Many programs and activities have been developed to help young people become involved in making the world a better place in which to live. It becomes increasingly difficult to find useful activities for our children. One of the better ideas has come as part of the March of Dimes annual fund drive. In Utah Valley it was called the "March-a-thon." Held on Saturday, March 25, it consisted of a walk or run over a 20-mile course through city and countryside beginning and ending at the B.Y.U. Stadium parking lot.

The chairman for the March-a-thon challenged community leaders of Utah County to get in the act with the many young people who were involved. Each participant found sponsors who would pledge a sum of money for each mile completed. Some individual pledges were \$5.00 per mile. It was a thrill to see nearly 1500 persons begin this march. Most of them were teenagers. A few were senior citizens. Some were under 10 years of age. Of those who started, about 1400 finished. Some ran all the way to show their excellent physical condition and their enthusiasm for the cause.

For me, it was enough just to be able to complete the March in about six hours. My sponsor paid a dollar a mile to the march of dimes just as I paid a like amount as a sponsor for another.

This event was an inspiration to me. It was a forceful reminder of the great sacrifice made by many of our forebears who walked every step of the hundreds of miles across the plains. With feet sore and bleeding, day after day, mile upon mile, with hearts saddened by the loss of loved ones and bodies aching, they struggled ever onward in a great cause.

The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers needs the help of our children and grandchildren. Let's involve them in our projects so they will learn more of our lofty ideals and great purpose. Then they will have the spirit of the pioneers in their hearts and minds as well as in their blood. The future of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, just as the future of our country, depends upon the youth of today.



—Photo courtesy Utah Historical Quarterly

NEW USE FOR OLD MILL

THE OLD Washington Cotton factory at St. George has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Byron McLeese to be refurbished and used as a restaurant and social center with rooms for displays and artifacts. Mr. and Mrs. McLeese are residents of St. George. They recently moved there from Salt Lake City.

Mr. McLeese is the housing salesmanager for Terracor at Bloomington. He is aided by Les Stoker, an architect from St. George. May we extend our congratulations and appreciation to these good people.

The large sandstone structure was begun in 1865 and was the focus of the Cotton Mission. By 1870 the completed building was in operation and at peak production turned out as much as five hundred yards of cloth per day.

Operations were sporadic for lack of a market and raw materials. Empty for years, the building is in sound condition but needs the anticipated attention badly. It is vitally important to the Cotton Mission aspect of Utah history.

—Utah Historical Quarterly



WARNING AGAINST NOVELS: The reading and writing of fiction was looked upon with some askance by early Mormon leaders. There persisted the fear that to delight in anything imaginative was to give oneself over to the senses, thus leading to sensuality, sexuality and sin.

In "Mormonism And Literature" (Winter 1954-55) is reviewed a warning from the brethren, particularly to the women, to avoid this type of pleasure:

You do wrong in reading novels because you sacrifice your purity of mind to a fearful trial . . . It is hard to discriminate between the good and the evil in novels . . . The novel appetite being once formed, it craves all.

Human nature loves to coast along the borders of infamy and crime . . . Open vulgarity and obscenity are forbidden by reigning custom, but novel-writers, by means of honeyed words, encourage these evils . . . Where the novel writer leaves off, the devil commences, instilling more polluting thoughts than the literal intent of the word implies."

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Carnation Scarcely Enough

IN THE MULTITUDE of oftentimes meaningless special days and weeks observed throughout the year, Mother's Day is one of particular significance. This is a very special day which unites us in giving some form of recognition to our mothers, living or dead.

By act of Congress, May 8, 1941, the second Sunday in May was set aside "for public expression of our love for mothers." The carnation, signifying purity, sweetness and endurance, was adopted as the floral emblem. Whoever included the word *endurance* among the virtues of the carnation also knew about mothers.

Mother endures day after day, month after month, Janie and Johnny, also father, in their less admirable moments—their ills, complaints, squabbles and tantrums. She has to do most of the worrying about the entire family. She squares their quarrels with each other, their friends and their teachers.

She covers up for them when father sets out on a discipline rage, bales them out of jams and generally tends herd on the entire flock. All this mother endures willingly and gladly because she is mother.

Mother's love endures where all other things are swept away; it survives every challenge and every test; it is spoken of in the last words of the soldier on the battlefield; it is the last pillar of support along with God for those who are beset with the agonies of the body and the torments of the mind.

Mother could not endure all this if she were not in very deed a partner with God in the fulfillment of His benign purposes. In a classic painting a mother is shown bending over a crib, and she is looking into the future, recalling what the high priest Simeon said, that "a sword shall pierce his side." What a responsibility; what a cross to carry, but with that prophecy she also knew that all the world would be blessed and made happy, saved and exalted through her Child.

The occasion was nearing when that prophecy was about to be fulfilled, and it was on that occasion that the perfect tribute was paid to motherhood. Her Son was on the cross, and the sword was readied to pierce his side. The weeping mother could scarcely endure the sight. The love of his apostles was not sufficient to hold them there. All of them had left except one at whose side stood his mother. Then it was that Jesus, our Lord, gave the one supreme tribute as an example to all sons everywhere and always as he turned and said to John, "Son, behold thy mother. Mother, behold thy Son." His last thought, almost his last word, was for his mother.

So then, do we honor mother on Mother's Day, humbly conscious of the love and inspiration that guide us through our lives whether she is at our side or thousands of miles away, or whether she sleeps the sleep of eternal rest.

A carnation is scarcely enough!

Pioneer Ponderings

BRIGHAM'S DISCERNMENT—When Captain Lot Smith lined his company of volunteers up in front of the Lion House, in Salt Lake City, prior to departing for the east in the spring of 1862, it was discovered that his organization was not complete. He lacked a wagon master.

President Young, who was reviewing the company, asked him whom he wanted for that position. I want Sol Hale." Elder Hale had just been seen driving into town, and was sent for.

Arriving at the President's office, he was informed that the company had been organized to go east and set in order the stage lines and stations which had been interfered with and burned by hostile Indians. They were also to protect incoming immigrant trains.

"Now can you go?" asked Brigham Young.

"President Young," Elder Hale said, "I have given my promise to old Father and Mother Austin that I would go in search of their son, Ed. He has been reported as having been killed by the Indians, near Beaver on his return from San Bernardino with a band of horses. His brother and I have our wagons and horses ready to leave in search of his body and to recover the horses, if possible. We have just been buying a few supplies."

"Well," said the President, "if you are ready to go south, you are certainly ready to go east."

"Yes, but what can I tell Father and Mother Austin?"

President Young's mind was deep in thought. He bowed his head and rested it upon his hand, with his elbow resting upon the office railing that enclosed his desk. Nearly a minute elapsed before he spoke. "Sol, you can tell Brother and Sister Austin that I say their son is still living, and is safe, and will return to them in a few days."

"Then I will go east with Brother Smith," Sol said.

He delivered the message to the Austins and started with the company. The third day out the group was overtaken by a messenger from Brigham Young. The last line of the message read: "Tell Sol, Ed Austin just arrived with his horses."

—Albert Zobell In "Storettes"



WHAT A LINE!

Although a phone call costs a dime
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And hold the line most of the morn.

And so important calls like mine
I have to place some other time—
And thus my business goes to pot
For that's the kind of line I've got!

—LES GO SCRAPBOOK



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LETTERS TO THE Editor

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Notes From Old Juniper

I opened the Pioneer Magazine, even before the rest of the mail, and first thing I ran into a name under the heading "Chapter Eternal"—and what a shock! I have never thought of our good "Mack" Woolley ever leaving us. "Mr. SUP" indeed! It is going to be very difficult to get along without him. I am sure a lot of us got consolation from the tributes paid Mack by the National Board and by The Pioneer's editor. They were sublime.

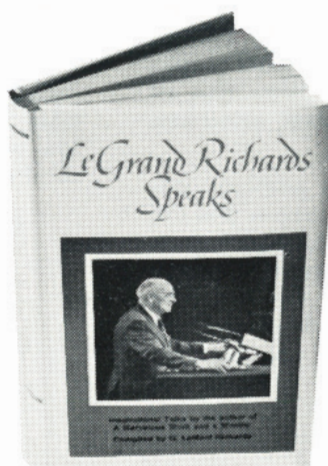
Of the many times and places I have visited with Mack, I remember best the last time we men of SUP and our companions, feasted in the Horace Sorenson Gardens. Milady Pearl and I sat with Brother and Sister Woolley, and what a delight-

ful couple they were and what an enchanted moment to be with them.

We members of Old Juniper Chapter deeply regret losing one of our truly stalward members but are pleased that from our small group has been appointed a new LDS Church historian in the very capable person of Leonard J. Arrington. He is undoubtedly the greatest!

It was good to read that something is to be done about the ancient William Jennings Mansion at 300 West South Temple Street in Salt Lake City. It sure is a mess now but could be fixed up to be something superb in the field of pioneer palaces and mansions.

—J. Sedley Stanford
Old Juniper Chapter



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JOURNEY INTO THE YESTERYEARS

Pioneer Village Holds Place As Museum Supreme

By KEVAN SMITH

Deseret News Staff Writer

Pioneer Village, a six-acre tract in southeast Salt Lake City devoted to the preservation of 19th Century Utah, is drawing its usual crowd of visitors this summer.

But most of the 300-plus persons who view the pioneer artifacts and buildings every day cannot claim Utah as their home.

Tourists make up the bulk of the visitors.

However, many local children tour the village, particularly 8 and 12-year-old pupils studying Utah history.

But, with or without the patronage of pioneer descendants, Pioneer Village is providing visitors a look into Utah's past that is at once entertaining and highly informative.

The Village, located at 2998 S. 2150 East, began nearly 20 years ago as a personal project of South East Furniture Co. President Horace A. Sorensen and his wife, Ethel. It has since grown into a complete town—main street, railroad, general store, and all.

33 Buildings

There are 33 complete pioneer buildings, each filled to the walls with everyday articles of pioneer life.

But realizing the need for something extra to stimulate local interest, Mr. Sorensen has scheduled a series of special programs to be presented throughout the summer in the Village's grass-covered sunken garden.

The special programs were scheduled mainly to attract local residents to the village, Mr. Sorensen said. Tourists don't need such attractions.

Mr. Sorensen started work on the village in 1948 when he found himself with a good-sized collection of pioneer artifacts and no place to put them—except in his own back yard.

So he began storing his collection in the round house, a one-time training ring for American saddle horses.

In 1928, that first building, which is now part of the Pioneer Village museum, was dedicated by President George Albert Smith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, who blessed Mr. Sorensen's undertaking.



SCENE AT OPENING OF PIONEER VILLAGE: The Idaho Falls LDS Seminary students flock to ox cart ride during excursion to Pioneer Village. The famous museum opened April 1 with several new exhibits and some extra special attractions slated for the summer.

—Photo courtesy Salt Lake Tribune

As the village grew Mr. Sorensen added more property to his "back yard."

40 Years Ago

Mr. Sorensen admits to becoming infected with history nearly 40 years ago.

He started with a carriage which belonged to Captain W. S. Harney,

second in command in Johnston's Army which invaded Utah in 1858.

He said he heard the carriage was for sale in Wyoming, and with the help of his mother-in-law, he went there and bought it.

"I paid \$250 for that coach," he said, "and later refused an offer of \$3,200 for it. Wyoming sure is mad that I got away with it."

From that beginning, Mr. Sorensen has increased his collection of Utah antiques until he can say of the Village, "Practically everything embodied in a pioneer village is here. There is very little we can add."

Fame Spreads Afar

The pride of his collection are the two old general stores, one of which is the Alma Warr store bought intact from Kamas.

Everything originally in the store is still on display, including hand-rolled marbles, stove polish, and a 1908 telephone directory covering four states.

The fame of Pioneer Village has spread far beyond Utah, borders and brought Mr. Sorensen offers from many places.

NEW AT VILLAGE

New features at Pioneer Village season have been added for the summer season, including:

Little old fashioned bandstand for concerts on Sunday afternoons.

An exhibition of Indian artifacts, contributed by Indian students at Brigham Young University.

Indian show on Memorial Day (May 29) featuring various Indian tribes.

A string of ponies to pull wagons around the museum grounds in miniature covered wagons and carts.

Old-fashioned fire wagon and stagecoach.

Mormon Battalion On The March

Long-Awaited Trail Guide Now Ready; MB Commemoration Day Set For May 29

By Col. Marvin E. Smith

Of current interest is a new publication by the Utah State Historical Society called "Mormon Battalion Trail Guide." It is an adaptation of the report prepared for the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation under the direction of Dr. Charles S. Peterson.

It is composed of 53 maps and 74 pages of script telling the day to day travel of that famous U.S. military unit. The report is available at a discount from Elmer B. Jones, 410 Continental Bank Bldg., SLC, Battalion

Adjutant. Look for review elsewhere in this magazine.

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Mance H. Vaught, enthusiastic research historian and writer, has traveled the Battalion Trail and taken many pictures. Now he and his wife Lela have prepared an interesting fireside program showing slides of Pioneer interest. They have many requests waiting for them.

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The annual commemoration of the Mormon Battalion will take place on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, 8 a.m. at the State Capitol. Come with your families and enjoy a thirty minute program on this holiday.

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Because many have inquired about dates for excursions over the historic MB Trail, I must report that as yet none are available. Those in charge of coordinating such activities have not yet been able to get commitments from Explorer, Community and other interested groups. Such dates will be made known upon receipt.

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Peter Simpson, Douglas, Arizona, became the first Explorer to receive the new MB Trail award. He completed assignments in locating and marketing significant historic spots. One such place was the grave site of Elisha Smith which is located on Little Ash Creek, near Douglas. He was a teamster for the Battalion.



Peter Simpson, left, is receiving the first MB Trail badge from Battalion Officer Marvin Follet, Douglas, Ariz.



Burial site of Elisha Smith, MB teamster, is appropriately marked at Little Ash Creek near Douglas.

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Guideposts Along The Trail

How 'National' Can Assist Chapters; Unity And Cooperation Bring Success

By Orson D. Wright
National Vice-President

"I was unaware that the National Society, Sons of the Utah Pioneers had so many fine programs and that they offer the chapters so much guidance." This was the observance of a chapter representative as he left a chapter officers orientation seminar.

Until last year many chapter officers groped and struggled to set up a program, a workable year full of activity, fun and learning. Likewise the

national society has wrestled with the problem "How can the national be of most value to the chapters?" The question has been how can we best correlate our programs?

Last year the two programs were brought together. Two apparent divergent activities within one organization began to be unified. The programs now are growing together in splendid cooperation and unity. Chapters have come to see the benefits in drawing close to the chapters and the chapters are discovering the benefits of working closely with the national. The ultimate goal of course has not been reached but it is getting closer all the time.

Value Of The Seminar

Within the two Chapter Officers Seminars held each year, chapter and national officers get acquainted with each other's responsibilities, set goals and plan activities. Coordination of activities gives fresh enthusiasm to the chapters and encourages the national officers to reach out for new ventures. A tremendous help in bringing about this pleasing status is the new Manual Of Operation.

Orientation Seminars are held twice a year, in May at the Chapter Presidents Banquet and at the National Encampment. The next session is scheduled May 6 at 4:30 p.m. in the historic old Pioneer Village Chapel. Chapter presidents and the president-elect are the vice-president of each chapter are expected to attend. Chapter officers presently are promoting the event with the officers to see that every chapter is represented.

The 'New Chapter' Project

Another major project has been launched by the national with the chapters—the organization of new chapters. Some chapters have grown

so large they often-times find it difficult to crowd into one banquet hall and others are so small they have to meet in the homes of members.

Strengthening of smaller chapters and organizing of new units, is an urgent need in SUP at this time. There are many eligible friends, sons, grandsons and business associates of our members who would like to join this fine society if the opportunity presented itself.

Let us get along with the job at hand. To start a new chapter is fairly simple. Here are a few suggestions:

* Bring together a group of men interested in the ideals and traditions of the pioneers. Call in fellows who live comparatively near your community. You need not include members of your own chapter to weaken it, but strengthen it by giving your members something important to do.

* Elect a temporary chairman, a secretary and select a by-laws com-

mittee. By-laws of existing chapters are readily available. Set date for a second meeting.

* Approve the by-laws and select a time and place for regular meetings. Elect permanent officers. Only 10 members are needed to start a new group but twice or three times that many would be better.

* A chapter banquet or luncheon could be scheduled at a later meeting. A special program and dinner could be planned by the chapter officers in connection with the national officers at which a charter from the national would be presented.

The National Board has requested each chapter to sponsor a new chapter and offers its full assistance in any way required to make this project a complete success. There is no reason to doubt but that the project could double SUP membership in two years.



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(From "The Pony Express")

One of St. Joseph's most historic landmarks, the Pony Express stables, stands at Ninth and Penn streets. From this spot on April 3, 1860, a rider left to start the race to Sacramento, California, nearly 2,000 miles—a race against time, the elements and hostile Indians. Russell, Majors and Daddell undertook the organization of the Pony Express to cut in half the time it took messages to reach the California coast by the southern route stagecoach company. It was their hope to thus prove the more direct Central Overland Route and secure the mail contract from the United States Government.

The Pony Express was not financially successful as the owners spent \$700,000 leaving a \$200,000 deficit, and failed to get the mail contract because of political pressures. It did, however, write a never to be forgotten chapter in American history which to this day captures the imagination of all as they picture the daring rider racing across the plains. It did prove the central route and held on long enough to see the first telegraph line taken over communications to California and is therefore credited with saving that state for the Union in the war between the states.

Many Had Part

Many men have played a part in the history of the old Pony Express Stables, both in the past and the present. In days long gone by, there were young men hired as riders—some 80 to 100 in all—who made approximately 160 complete trips across the western half of the continent, a total of 650,000 functioned. A company office and headquarters were in the front of the stables and the ponies were quartered in the rear of the building. **WANTED,**

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Stables Described

An article in the St. Joseph, Mo. Daily Herald on January 27, 1899, describes the Pony Express Stables (then known as the Pikes Peak Stables) as 125' long with 60' frontage, shingle roof which was supported by heavy native timbers and pine board walls, furnishing quarters for 200 horses. The stables were built by Ben Holladay in 1858 and rebuilt in the 1880's by the owners at that time, the St. Joseph Transfer Company. The outside of the structure was rebuilt with brick, but the timbers and as much of the old material



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as possible was preserved and kept intact.

In 1946, the Chamber of Commerce took steps to insure the preservation of this historic spot in our city and the stables were purchased for \$1,200 obtained through popular subscription.

In January, 1950, the Goetz family and the M. K. Goetz Brewing Company established the Goetz Pony Express Foundation to restore and preserve the stables. On May 3, 1959, through the combined efforts of the late Mr. M. Karl Goetz and the St. Joseph Museum, these stables were opened to the public as a museum.

In 1960 the Goetz Company deeded the stables to the St. Joseph Museum under whose direction it has been since that time.

Pony Express 112th Anniversary With Big Celebration at Sacramento

The 112th anniversary of the establishment of the Pony Express System was celebrated at Sacramento, Calif. April 4 despite the absence of Horace A. Sorensen of Salt Lake City, president of the sponsor organization. Mr. Sorensen was unable to attend the gala event on account of illness.

He kept in touch via telephone with the PE treasurer, retired U. S. District Judge Sherrill Halbert who conducted the festivities.

The observance in Sacramento centered around the restored Hastings Building, western terminal for the 8-state mail line. A statue of an express rider and his horse was unveiled on the grounds.

Mr. Sorensen credited the late Gov. George D. Clyde with organizing the effort that led to the Pony Express Centennial celebration 12 years ago. The restoration project at Sacramento was supported by the

Sons of Utah Pioneers of Utah and California and the National Pony Express Centennial Association.

The Pony Express System, despite the historical acclaim it received, lasted only 18 months. It charged \$5 an ounce for mail delivery and received no government subsidy. It ran from St. Joseph at the western edge of Missouri, across Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada, ending in Sacramento.

The Salt Lake City change station where the riders swapped horses in great haste and scurried off on their stretch to the next station, was at what is now 143 South Main Street, location of the Tribune Building.

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East Mill Creek History

—Part III

The Cozy Little Chapel By The Bend Of The Stream

By Joy F. Dunyon

Driving east on Evergreen Avenue between rows of stately pine and spruce trees, you are thrilled at the sight of a picturesque chapel rising majestically on a small knoll by the bend of the road. You feel as though you were suddenly transported to one of the beauty-spots of old New England.

For nearly 95 years this building has been the center of activity in East Mill Creek. Prior to its construction the people of the area were members of the Big Cottonwood Ward of the Salt Lake Stake, but President Daniel H. Wells called a special meet on July 18, 1877, and East Mill Creek Ward was formed.

The original chapel was a one room brick building 28' x 50' with the entrance facing the west. There were three windows on the north, two on the west and three on the south. On the east was an exit door. Heat for the building was furnished by a pot-bellied stove, and when the wind blew, smoke came back into the chapel. It soon became so thick meetings had to be dismissed.

All-Purpose Place

The building was the center place for both worship and social activities.

The stand or rostrum was a large platform built across the east end of the room. It was elevated some three feet above the floor and closed across the front in order to provide storage space for stage properties, etc. A small table served as a pulpit. Against the east wall, on a long bench sat the bishopric and other dignitaries. When the dramatic club went into

action for the winter season an extension large enough for a stage was built in front of the platform.

Social Events, Too

Dances, also, were held in this one-room chapel. The band occupied the stand while the younger set lined themselves along the front of the platform admiring the musicians and dancers. As baby sitting was unheard of, babes in arms came along with mamas and papas.

It was in this chapel on March 4, 1900, that Sister Edith E. Fisher spoke in tongues, and Apostle John W. Taylor, who was present, rose to his feet and gave the interpretation of what was said.

From 1878 to 1893, this historic old building was used as a school house. A curtain was drawn through the middle of the room providing two classrooms.

East Mill Creek continued to grow and in 1901 the chapel was enlarged by adding a wing to the south. In 1913 two rooms and a heating plant were also added. The amuse-

ment hall built on the east was erected in 1925, and in 1935 a pipe organ previously used at the Gem Theater was purchased and installed in the chapel.

Pleasing Building

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NEW OFFICERS—Newly-elected officers of the Box Elder chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers are front left, Glenn Valentine, first vice-president; R. W. Forrest, president; Robert Jones, second vice president; back left, Lyman Morrell, director; Deverell Petersen, director, and James Miller, secretary-treasurer.

EARL HANSEN, LOGAN SUP LEADER, IN 'PERSONALITIES OF THE WEST'

LOGAN—Earl A. Hansen, member of the National Board, Sons of Utah Pioneers, and former national president, has received a signal honor with the publication of his biography in "Personalities of the West and Mid-West, 1972 edition."



Mr. Hansen will be retiring soon from his position as trucker and maintenance man at the Cache Regional Storehouse.

He has been active in scouting for 40 years and has held almost every position in the ward

and district organizations. Hansen has been recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, highest honor given in Scouting. He has served as chairman of the Logan District, Cache Valley Council, and is on the executive board as chairman of the advancement committee for the Council.

In the LDS Church, he has served in the bishopric, in the presidency of the high priest quorum and was on the stake board of MIA for

more than 20 years. He received the honorary Master M Men certificate and pin for his service to young people.

A member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers since 1946 (when the local chapter was organized), he served as president of the local unit for three years. Hansen was on the national board of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for 14 years and served as president of the national organization for one year.

For four years he was commander of the Sons of Utah Pioneers' Mormon Battalion and is still a member of the Battalion today. He is also on the executive board of the S.U.P. Two years ago he and his wife were named the Outstanding couple in S.U.P. by the national organization.

Married to the former Alta G. Glenn, Mr. Hansen is the father of five children—Mrs. Dell B (Ruth) Anderson, Manti; Mrs. Robert (Lorraine) Rallison, Virginia; Dr. Raymond E. Hansen, Salinas, Calif.; Dr. Joseph M. Hansen, San Jose, Calif.; Paul Hansen, Logan.

In receiving work that he will appear in "Personalities of the West and Midwest," the letter noted that "Your biographical data has been received and approved by our editorial board of advisors. Congratulations and best wishes for continued success."

Youth Group Observes Birthday as Lehi Becomes 120 Yrs. Old

(The Lehi Free Press)

LEHI—It was a birthday party with cake and punch and some tributes to the old home town: Lehi town was 120 years old which called for some kind of celebration.

The whole thing started when members of the Youth Advisory Council stumbled onto the fact that Lehi became an incorporated city Feb. 5, 1852. Council members went to the City Council with the facts and a request to hold a birthday party in City Memorial Building. The council thought this was a splendid idea and the party was scheduled.

The youth group decorated the entrance hall of the Memorial Building and set up serving tables and then waited for the citizens to come—and come they did!

Former city officials, their families and the families of the Youth Advisory Council and present Lehi city officials were especial guests. The young hosts briefed their guests on points of Lehi history "and a good time was had by all."

Lehi was incorporated Feb. 5, 1852 by Bishop David Evans on behalf of the settlers on Dry Creek. The town was first called Evansville.

The Territorial Legislature granted the petition for township and the community was incorporated under the name of Lehi, after the Book of Mormon prophet, because "the people had moved several times before finally getting together to form an organized community."

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HOW IT ALL BEGAN**Pioneers Were Prompt To Start Education In Deseret Territory**

By Emily W. Brewer
(First of a Series)

One can look at a little acorn and marvel that it can grow into a mighty oak tree. If however, one could go back in years and see the little 'acorn' from which the University of Utah has grown one would marvel even more.



Emily Brewer

The pioneers did not wait until they arrived in the Salt Lake Valley to start thinking of education in the west. While still in Illinois members were assigned to collect books, maps, charts and educational weeklies, and bring them west with their already cumbersome cargo. Later while at Winter Quarters Brigham Young sent as epistle to the Saints throughout the world asking them to use

every opportunity to obtain copies of any valuable material that would be a teaching aid when they arrived at their destination.

School In A Tent

It is not surprising then that, on a crisp October morning, less than three months after their arrival the first school in the valley opened with Mary Jane Dilworth as teacher. For a short time it was necessary for Miss Dilworth to hold school in a small military tent set up in the Old Fort on the present site of Pioneer Park, using logs for seats for the children and a campstool for the teacher.

Soon however a 30 x 50 ft. log cabin was provided to be Utah's first school house. A few doors east Julian Moses taught the adult school in Utah. He offered six courses, reading, writing, arithmetic, history, latin and the scriptures.

13,000 Pupils

By 1854 there were in the Rocky Mountain area 226 schools, 300 teachers and 13,000 pupils. (accord-

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Emily W. Brewer, noted Utah historian and authority on pioneer customs and traditions, begins with this edition of *The Pioneer* a series of short pieces on the beginnings of early Mormon cultures.

A native of Ogden, Utah, Mrs. Brewer has done much research and written numerous articles on this theme, which holds so much interest to Sons and Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

ing to H. H. Bancroft)

Among those early settlers there were men with college degrees, such as Orson Spencer, Orson Pratt, John M. Bernhisel, Albert Carrington, Daniel H. Wells, Hosea Stout, Wm. W. Phelps, Elias Smith and Zeru-babel Snow. On the other hand there were others who, while desirous of education, had never had the advantage. "A Parent School," Utah's first institution of higher learning was opened and because building materials were very scarce a student could pay his tuition with building stone. The original enrollment was 40 students. From this embryo grew the now noted University of Utah.

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Funeral Director Violinist **Mortuary First Fiddle To Harold B. Felt**

"I owe my success as a mortician to my violin," believes Harold B. Felt, proprietor and owner of the Felt Funeral Home in Brigham, Utah, who is celebrating his 36th year in business here. "If it hadn't been for my musical instrument I would have missed out on a wonderful career."

"It all started back in 1929, the year of the infamous depression, when I graduated from the Ogden High School in Ogden, Utah with honors as a violinist."

"My ambition was to become a professional musician and perhaps teach or conduct orchestras. But I needed money to pursue my career, so when Ogden mortician N. Oscar Malan, of the Malan Mortuary, asked me to play my violin at funerals, I jumped at the chance to earn extra cash."

"After this I played my violin at many other funerals—and when Mr. Malan was short on help, and asked me to drive the funeral coach for him after I had played at services, I said, 'Sure.'"

"This was how I began to become more involved in the funeral business. Finally when Mr. Malan's son, Austin Malan, was called on a two-year church mission, I was given a full-time job at the mortuary, as assistant funeral director."

"After I took this job I filed for an apprenticeship under a licensed funeral director, which Mr. Malan was. I continued my schooling at Weber College in Ogden, going to school first, and then working at the mortuary."

"I was in chare of a 15-piece dance band. Its members were students who were earning college tuition by playing at college dances."

"When Mr. Malan's son, Austin, returned from his Church Mission, there wasn't enough work for both of us, so I quit working for the Malan Mortuary, and started to work with the Larkin Mortuary in the same city."

Chooses Career

"After a year of experience, I was convinced that my career was to be that of a funeral director. So I decided to go to the California College of Embalming at Los Angeles, in California."

"As I remember it, I had just enough money to pay my tuition and have \$10 left over to live on for a month. Another student and I pooled our \$10s each, \$20 was enough to keep both of us eating for the first month."

"We got a job in a mortuary, and were allowed to sleep in a room here, until we finished our schooling."

"One year later found me out of the College of Embalming and back at the Larkin Mortuary in Ogden. I worked two years more as a licensed mortician, funeral director and embalmer. I have been doing this ever since."

June, 1934 was another milestone in Mr. Felt's life. On the 10th he convinced E. A. "Lige" Larkin of the Larkin Mortuary in Ogden that they should open a mortuary in Brigham City, which is 20 miles north of Ogden. At that time the community had no real mortuary of its own—only a makeshift which was a side-line of the Stohl Furniture Store. (The mortuary business was conducted in the rear.)

On the 11th of June Mr. Felt got married.

Buys Old Building

After Mr. Felt and Mr. Larkin inspected possible sites in Brigham City for a mortuary, they found an old adobe building for sale. It was located near the famous Latter-day Saint (Mormon) Church Tabernacle, and had a large vacant lot for parking area.

The price was reasonable, and Mr. Larkin and Mr. Felt spent \$7,500 to remodel the site after its purchase.

And so Brigham City's first funeral home was opened in 1934, with Mr. Felt as manager. Two years later, he bought out the Larkin interest.



Harold B. Felt

Six months later Mr. Felt bought the Stohl business which was closing out. With the purchase of the Stohl assets, Mr. Felt became operator of the only mortuary in Brigham City.

"This business has been a wonderful life for me and my lovely wife, the former Lillian Hayes, who was a nurse at the Dee Hospital at the time of our marriage," Mr. Felt reports. "We have enjoyed operating the mortuary business while raising a family. We also participate in church and civic affairs in our community."

Mr. Felt has long been active in the Sons of the Utah Pioneers (see HAROLD B. FELT, next page)

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Harold Felt, Fiddling Mortician

(continued from preceding page)
and presently is a member of its national board.

Mr. Felt has many interests. He established the Seagull Aviation Corp., a flying school at the Brigham City Airport.

For many years he also has been a leader in Brigham City's annual Peach Day Harvest festival and parade which takes place the first week in September. He has been parade marshall, and has sponsored beauty queens in the Peach Day Competition.

He was the second person in Brigham City to receive the "Distinguished Service Award" from the Brigham City Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Many Activities

He was also one of the original incorporators of the Sentinel Insurance Company of Salt Lake City, and is still a director of this firm which was founded in 1948 to provide funeral expenses for members. He has served as president of the Utah Funeral Directors Association.

Other activities include membership in the National Selective Morticians Association and the Order of the Golden Rule. He has also been president of the Brigham City School Board, and was active in helping build the new Box Elder High School.

Mr. Felt still plays his violin, which he keeps at the mortuary for music during emergencies, and his wife helps him with some of the services.

"She's No. 1 in my life," concludes Mr. Felt, "but my funeral home has a pretty big role, having played 'second fiddle' for over 36 years."

He is civic minded and has been president of the Box Elder Chamber of Commerce and also the Brigham City Rotary Club.

But the prime one, of course, is the violin, which helped him up the first rung of his ladder to success.

THE USE OF TIME

Those who succeed in making the best use of their time also succeed in making the best use of other people's time.

Bennett Asks Ogden Rail Museum Boost

OGDEN—An appeal for federal assistance for the development of a Golden Spike railroad museum in the Ogden Railroad Station has been made by Sen. Wallace F. Bennett, R-Utah.

In letters to secretary of the interior, Rogers C. B. Morton and Sec. George Romney of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Sen. Bennett said:

"Citizens of northern Utah are justly proud of the fact that the transcontinental railroad was completed in their area and they would like to do whatever they can to preserve the record of that historic event.

"The museum in the Railroad Station most certainly would be a welcome addition to the city of Ogden and an appropriate monument to the completion of the transcontinental railroad. It is part of Utah's great heritage that these things be preserved."

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Chapter Eternal

Heber C. Hicks

Heber Charles Hicks, 91, long-time member and writer with the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died Feb. 27 in a Salt Lake City hospital of natural causes.

He was president of the Utah Press Association in 1917 and did some writing for *The Pioneer*, mostly histories and biographies. He worked for a number of years for the Chicago Investment Trust and American Shares Corporation in Arizona. He was also president of the Mining Exchange in New York City.

During the period 1950 to 1957, Mr. Hicks served as executive secretary and lobbyist in Washington, D.C. for Sen. Reed Smoot. Another of his positions was that of director of State Securities and Real Estate Commission of Utah.

From 1967 until his death, Mr. Hicks was West University Stake director of 10 rest homes.

In religious activities he was bishop of the Papago Ward in Phoenix, Ariz., from 1935 until 1949. He was a member of the high council of the Wash-

ington, D.C. Stake and was a high priest in the 11th Ward in Salt Lake City. He served a proselyting mission for the LDS Church in River Valley, Arizona in 1935.

Heber C. Hicks was born Oct. 20, 1880 in Salt Lake City, a son of John Thomas Richards and Anna Buhler Hicks. He married Florence Ridge on June 11, 1913 in the Salt Lake Temple. She died in 1945. He married Lucy Davis on Nov. 3, 1960 in Arizona.

Survivors include his widow; one son and two daughters, John Ridge, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Mrs. Maurice (Rueda) Millett, Mesa, Ariz.; Mrs. Kent (Joyce) Power, Higley, Ariz.; a step-son, Marcus L. Davis, and two stepdaughters, Mrs. Duane (Ione) Ballard, Ruth Perry, all Salt Lake City; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; and 21 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Mar. 1 in the 11th Ward Chapel in Salt Lake City and burial was in Arizona.

Parley Pratt Giles

Parley Pratt Giles, 57, former national officer with the Sons of Utah Pioneers and the Mormon Battalion, and prominent church and civic worker, died Mar. 1, 1972 in a Salt Lake City hospital following a stroke.

Mr. Giles was an agent for the Western Life Insurance Co. and a general agent for the United American Life Insurance Co.

Active in church organizations, he was bishop of the Douglas LDS Ward and former superintendent of the Bonneville Stake Sunday Schools. He was a high priests group leader and served a mission to Great Britain. He was an alumnus of the University of Utah.

A native of Salt Lake City, he was born Oct. 10, 1914, a son of John D. and Una Pratt Giles. He married Marjorie Kimball on Feb. 11, 1938 in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his widow; four sons and two daughters, Parley P. Jr., Mrs. Gary D. (Marilyn) Peterson, David K., Ronald K., Louise K., John K., all Salt Lake City; four grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Merlin J. (Dorothy) Topham, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Edward L. (Lucille) Gardner, Canoga Park, Calif.

Funeral services were held Mar. 4 in the Yalecrest Second Ward Chapel and burial was in the Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park.



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Huron R. Free

Huron R. Free, 90, member of the Sugar House Chapter, SUP and pioneer Sugar House businessman, died Feb. 17, of natural causes at his home, 2334 Stringham Avenue.

Mr. Free was one of the founders of the old Sugar House Mercantile, a consolidation of merchandise and services after the pattern of the ZCMI of Salt Lake City. He and his brothers founded Hygeia Ice Co. in 1910. He was a major stockholder until his retirement.

Hygeia Ice proved a most successful venture, especially after it became a skating and hockey center, and it helped to finance several other businesses, including Carbo Chemical Co., Peerless Laundry, Hyland Lumber, Rockwood Furniture and other enterprises.

He also owned a trailer park and a service station. Former co-owner of Rosedell Apartments, he was a partner in the Southeast Bowling Alleys.

He was a charter member of the Sugar House Lions Club, an officer in the Salt Lake Executives Club and was active in the Sons of Pioneers until he became ill.

In church activities he was a high priest in Granite Stake and member of the first bishopric of Lincoln Ward.

He was born Sept. 3, 1881 in Salt Lake City, a son of Preston S. and Mary Titcomb Free. On Jan. 31, he married Laura Eldredge in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Aug. 8, 1912. He married Mary S. Burton, June 28, 1916, also in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his widow; one son, Thayne E., Phoenix, Ariz.; four daughters, Mrs. Wright (Barbara) Volker, Mrs. Lloyd (Claudia) Mathis, both Salt Lake City; Mrs. Robert (Florence) Ward, Honolulu, Hawaii; and Mrs. Robert (Marjorie) Stake, Santa Barbara, Calif.; 22 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Feb. 22 in Parleys Third LDS Ward and burial was in Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park.



John Mather

John Mather, 84, long-devoted member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died of a heart ailment at his home in Salt Lake City, on March 4.

He was known best in the community as founder and owner of the Mather Eggs Co. and a landscape gardener.

He served a mission for the LDS Church to the Southern States.

John Mather was born Sept. 23, 1887 in Smithfield, Cache County, Utah to Thomas E. and Mary Ann Cantwell Mather. He married Leone Irene Robinson on April 5, 1911 in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Oct. 6, 1971.

Survivors: sons, daughters, J. Lyndon Graham, "G.R.", Mrs. J. Byron (June) Engar, Mrs. Ralph W. (Janice) Moffat, all Salt Lake City, 23 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, sister, Mrs. Zina M. Sorensen, Salt Lake City.

Funeral services were held March 9 in the Grant Eighth Ward Chapel and burial was in the Sunset Lawn Mausoleum.

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Adolph M. Reeder

Adolph M. Reeder, 86, Brigham City, Utah, long-time devoted member and worker in the Box Elder Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, historian and biographer, died in a nursing home in Salt Lake City on March 7.

He was former president of the Box Elder Farm Bureau, the 4-H Club supervisor and director and an alumnus of Brigham Young College of Logan and Brigham Young University of Provo.

He was born Oct. 1, 1885 to George Balls and Caroline Madsen Reeder. He married Ada Mathias, Oct. 3, 1906 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Survivors: widow; sons and daughters, Dr. Ray, Durango, Colo.; Glenn, Dawn, both of Corrine, Box Elder County; Dr. Grant, Bountiful; Mrs. Douglas (Lois) Campbell, Mrs. Clinton (Rhea) Smith, both Salt Lake City; Hope, Geneva, Switzerland; Mrs. Harold (Edna) Schneider, Logan; 36 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Mar. 11 in the Brigham City Third Ward Chapel and burial was in the Brigham City Cemetery.

Bancroft's History Of Utah Still 'Standard'

Perhaps the first real historian to write seriously about Mormonism was that ubiquitous and prodigious scholar Hubert Howe Bancroft. Bancroft began in 1880 to seek the confidence of Church authorities in order to gain admittance to private church documents, assuring them that he wanted to be fair to the Mormons while not ignoring the "gentile point of view." After considerable negotiation he succeeded.

His history was written using Mormon sources to be sure, but it also utilized much Mormon guidance in the writing. It consequently reflects throughout the historical viewpoint of the Utah Church. *The History of Utah* (San Francisco, 1890), published as volume twenty-six of Bancroft's compendious series, is not without integrity.

"Even today, after sixty-five years," wrote a commentator in 1954, "it is still a useful standard narrative and is indispensable as a bibliographical guide for the first forty years of Utah's history of settled occupation."

—Robert Bruce Flanders
in "Dialogue"



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Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson
SUP Historian

This historian recently came across, in his chest of "written memoirs," a hand-written paper. It contains an account of the founding of a number of the larger chapters of SUP and is particularly important because it gives names and dates, so often missing in these histories.

Would you know that there were 40 chapters and more than 4,000 members of SUP at one time? With scarcely more than half that number now, the national society, organizationally speaking, is still stronger than it was then. Unfortunately little is known of those "lost chapters."

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The George Albert Smith Chapter of Provo, is the oldest. The Jenson Papers list Taylor Loveless as the organizer but indicates further that the chapter was then a "Sons and Daughters of the Utah Pioneers" group. Another record has it that Lawrence B. Epperson founded the Sons of Utah Pioneers as we have it today in 1933, although Parley P. Jenson, brother of this historian, founded an SUP group in 1905 which was short-lived.

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Gaylen S. Young deserves credit for starting the Salt Lake Chapter Luncheon Club in March, 1936. This is probably the largest of the SUP chapters. Several other chapters came into existence along about that time (1933 to 1945) Lehi, Old Juniper, Logan, East Mill Creek and Riverside. The Thomas L. Kane Chapter, now being revived by National Board Member Dr. Orson Wright, was started in 1946 and Sugar House, with Wendell J. Ashton as organizer, came into being late that same year.

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The strong Box Elder Chapter was organized by your present SUP historian in 1945 and the following year the Cache unit (now Temple Fork) was added to the fast-growing chain in September 1946. That same year the California Chapter was organized with Raymond Kirkham, Lehi native, as captain and "Bill" Nelson and Jenson as organizers.

The Cedar City link was added to the chain in December 1946.

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The Tooele Chapter, formed by the writer made the coveted circle in 1945. In 1948, Buena Ventura made the Ogden scene, with Pres. Rulon



TREK PLANNERS OF 1950—
Organizer of the SUP Mormon Battalion Trek of 1950, Harold H. Jenson, right; had as foremost supporters and planners, Pres. George Albert Smith, center; and Fred Curtis, former SUP national president.

Draney as guiding genius. It was revamped in 1946 by the present historian and renamed the Weber Chapter.

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New chapters were coming into the society rapidly about that time. In November 1949, Spring City, Jefferson Hunt at Huntsville, Kanab and Roosevelt graced the roster. Brigham Young Chapter at Brigham Young University was set up in April 1953 and the Ogden Luncheon Club, Pioneer and Little Salt Lake, first organized in 1946, were realigned by the historian.

Some later chapters included the Ute Rangers in 1954 by Horace Sorenson, South Cottonwood and Holladay by Karl B. Hale and the Smithfield and Golden Spike groups in the Garland-Tremonton territory by the late Frank C. Munns.

It is a pleasing report that several new chapters have been admitted into the "SUP Union" the past two years and plans for several more are in the making. The Sons of Utah Pioneers one of these days may again have 40 chapters and 4,000 members.

New Sites Added To Historic List

Six sites have been approved for the State Register of Historic Sites by the Governor's Historic and Cultural Sites Review Committee at a recent selection session.

The new sites are: the Marcus L. Shepherd home in Beaver; the Matthew Walker and Nicholas Groesbeck homes in Salt Lake City; the Valley House in Huntsville; the Summerill Foundry and Stoher Manufacturing Company and the Reed Terrace Apartments in Ogden.

One hundred and fifty nine sites are now on the Utah Register. In addition Utah has 40 sites listed on the National Register and 27 on the Century Register of Pioneer Homes.

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Pioneer Village Is Site For Coming E.G. Marshall Film

By Harold Schindler
Tribune Television Editor

"With the martyrdom of Joseph Smith, outsiders thought the Mormons would crumble but they hadn't reckoned on the leadership of Brigham Young . . ."

The speaker moved a few steps to his left and sat down in an old swivel chair. The walls of the small room were covered with artifacts of the Frontier West, sheriff's badges, wanted posters and other ephemera.

As he came to the end of his carefully delivered monologue, E. G. Marshall paused for just a beat. Executive producer Bob Shank shouted, "Cut!" and the scene was on film.

Shank and a camera crew took a break for lunch during the March 28 shooting schedule at Pioneer Village Museum on Connor Street while Marshall prepared next to do a scene with a team of oxen.

"We're doing a six-part series for syndication," Shank said. "It's a treatment of great men in this country's history and a look at the atmosphere of their homes. In the series we interweave other scenes to tell the story of their achievements."

The series is entitled *American Life Style* and includes *Thomas Jefferson's Monticello*, (first of the six); *William Randolph Hearst's San Simeon*; *Frank Lloyd Wright's Falling Water*, and the fourth segment, *Brigham Young's Beehive House*.

Still to be filmed are scripts dealing with the *Vanderbilt* homes in Rhode Island, and *Theodore Roosevelt's Sagamore*. "*American Life Style*" will debut in April, with the Brigham Young segment tentatively scheduled for broadcast in July. But because it is a non-network endeavor, it's not possible at the moment for Shank to pinpoint which affiliate will carry the series of half-hours.

Corinne And Nephi Sites May Be Saved

Another high note is sounded by the efforts of Frederick M. Huchel and Bell Associates, Inc., to restore the old Bank of Corinne building as an interpretive museum of that city's colorful history. Built in 1871, the structure served as a community bank until 1875 and as City Hall from 1890 until 1961.

The future for the Whitmore mansion in Nephi looks better. The stately old structure has been purchased by a family which has recently come from Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Smith plan to restore the building for their family home.

—Utah Historical Quarterly

Southeastern Utah History On Tapes

The Utah State Historical Society has recently received tapes and transcriptions of southeastern Utah oral history dealing with such varied topics as trading, sheepherding, mining, the Posey War, the Civilian Conservation Corps, and polygamy in Blanding.

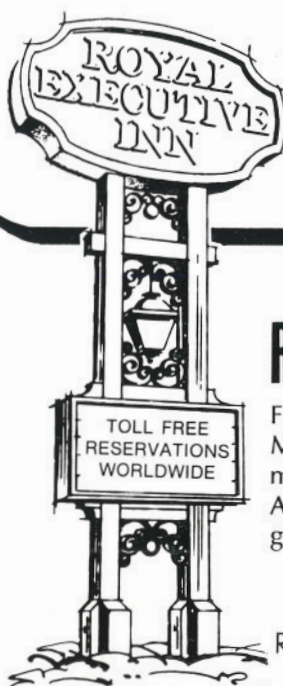
Gary L. Shumway of California State College, Fullerton, delivered the material in fulfillment of an agreement made between the Society and the college in June 1971.

Dr. Shumway directed the field work and supervised the transcribing. The Society helped finance the project and furnished source materials.

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M.B. Trail Guide

Mormon Battalion Trail Guide, published by the Utah State Historical Society under the direction of Dr. Charles S. Peterson, assisted by John F. Yurtinus, David E. Atkinson, and A. Kent Powell. Price at bookstores, \$3.50. SUP and MB members may purchase in quantity for a discount. (See Elmer B. Jones, 410 Continental Bank, SLC; phone 322-2578.)

Every person planning to travel any part of the Battalion Trail should first read or take with them *Mormon Battalion Trail Guide* giving maps and notes. The book is a compilation of several authors and contains maps of the route and details of the trip. The March falls into two parts: Fort Leavenworth to Santa Fe, and then from Santa Fe to San Diego. The data was taken from diaries and histories.

The Battalion left for its U.S. military assignment July 16, 1846, never dreaming of the historical significance of their mission. The authors have made extensive study of the project and the Utah State Historical Society deserves credit for an ex-

cellent guide. Perhaps few people realize that the Battalion members turned over their monetary clothing allowance to President Brigham Young in order to help finance the first Pioneer company to reach Salt Lake Valley.

This book was written mainly for students and this writer compliments the researchers who have made such an exhaustive study. However, it is too complicated for the average layman or Explorer without simplification. I would suggest that some writer brief it into a brochure that can easily be carried as a souvenir.

The book establishes that the Battalion traveled what is known as the Santa Fe trail. Day by day stops and mileage are shown with sources of reference. A second course of action should focus on the broader development of the Trail itself. Putting out a brief, readily understandable booklet would be wise. Historians will appreciate this.

Praise is due all who worked on it.
—H.H.J.

"Nick" Morgan Story

"Memories Never To Be Forgotten," the fascinating story of the life of Nicholas G. Morgan, Utah philanthropist and Sons of Utah Pioneers national officer; by the family, Marjorie Morgan Gray, author and producer; beautifully illustrated and bound in white leather; no public sales.

The Morgan family, particularly Mrs. Gray, has done a superb work in writing, assembling and publishing this attractive volume. It is withal, the near-perfect example of the family memorial book.

Particularly attractive and lending an artistic tint to the volume are photos most dear to Mr. Morgan. Precious photos of his parents, his family and then of himself make up the pictorial section. An index makes perusal of the family record more convenient and enjoyable.

Mr. Morgan was a gifted poet and some of his choice verses are presented. With but meager formal training in writing, especially verses, his poetry is smooth and charming. His pieces on "Historic City Hall" and "The Salt Lake Theater" are particularly pleasing.

Mr. Morgan's life-time dream of restoring the original Pioneer Square, a project on which he had already spent a good deal of money, and his financing of a number of literary works on pioneer and church history, are typical of the life's work of Nicholas G. Morgan, whose name, most deservedly, is further perpetuated with this very-different biography.
—H.H.J.

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James Monroe, the fifth President of the United States, died so poor that his remains found a resting place through the charity of one of the citizens.

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Martin Van Buren was very rich. Throughout his political life he studiously looked out for his own interest. It was not believed that he ever spent thirty shillings in politics. His party shook the bush, and he caught the bird.

Daniel Webster squandered some millions in his lifetime, the product of his profession and his political speculations. He died, leaving his property to his children and his debts to his friends. The former sold for less than \$20,000—the latter exceeded \$250,000.

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Lowell and Laura are parents of six children and 35 grandchildren. They have served in the church long and faithfully. Both were temple workers at the time of their call.

Elder Castleton was a member of the General Board of the Deseret Sunday School Union for 21 years (1945-1966), a member of the stake presidency of Grant Stake (1968-1969) and president of the Salt Lake City SUP Chapter (1965-1966). He was regional director of the Boy Scouts of America, and member of the Life Membership Committee of the national SUP society.

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An advisory council of eight members will assist the Smithsonian in establishing guidelines and priorities in granting funds and conducting research. Five areas of major interest can be tentatively listed: (1) conservation, with emphasis on establishing conservation laboratories and centers, experimentation, and personnel training; (2) training programs for current and prospective museum employees; (3) exhibit experimentation and evaluation; (4) publication, with emphasis on improvements in the preparation and distribution of publications; and (5) registration systems, with one projected outcome being the creation of central information systems facilitating inter-museum loans.

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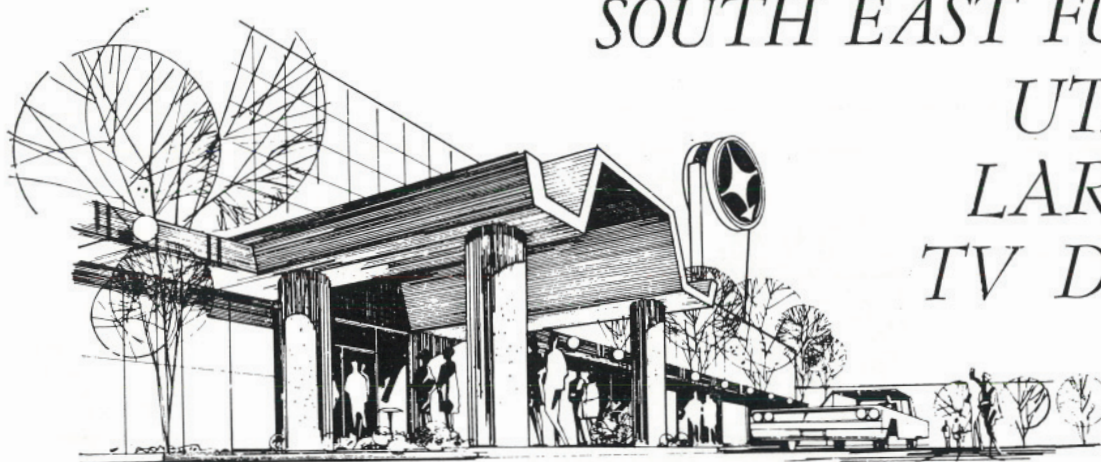
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